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## 'ENDLESS, TERRIBLE JOB'

Contractor Matthew Leahey has been hired by the city to help with snow-clearing this winter but says he's ready to throw in the towel over long hours and unfair criticism from the municipality. Story, page 5. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## The bucks stop here

**Funding.** Event to raise hundreds for local charity — and children decide where cash goes

### Quoted

"This is really all about giving them that opportunity to ... show what they can do."

Tristan Cleveland of Global Shapers

Dozens of kids are set to make a big impact on their local community.

The first 100 Kids Who Care event takes place at Halifax City Hall on Tuesday evening, when more than 30 kids under age 14 are expected to gather with their parents and \$10 each in their pockets to hand to a local charity of their choice.

"Kids can realize what kind of impact they can have even at a really young age," said Tristan Cleveland of Global Shapers, the group organizing the project.

Paula Campbell, a Global Shapers volunteer, said she got the idea after learning about the kids model in Windsor, Ont., and how it's similar to the 100 men and women groups in Halifax, where each person brings \$100 to the table.

Campbell said all of the

children attending the 6:30 p.m. event nominated a local charity and are prepared to talk about why it deserves the money if their name is one of the three chosen out of a random draw. The whole group then casts votes to distribute the money.

The kids were encouraged to complete chores and good deeds to earn \$10 from family and friends, Campbell said.

Cleveland said the event allows kids to practise public speaking, gain self-confidence and show the public they are not our future but "human beings right from the start."

"Kids are so capable of making decisions for themselves if we don't assume that they can't," Cleveland said.

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# Students in dentistry scandal to continue their clinical work

**Dalhousie.** University president says there are conditions, public has right to say no

Dalhousie University has decided to allow 12 male dentistry students to return to clinical practice less than two months after they were suspended for allegedly participating in a Facebook page that contained sexually violent content about female classmates.

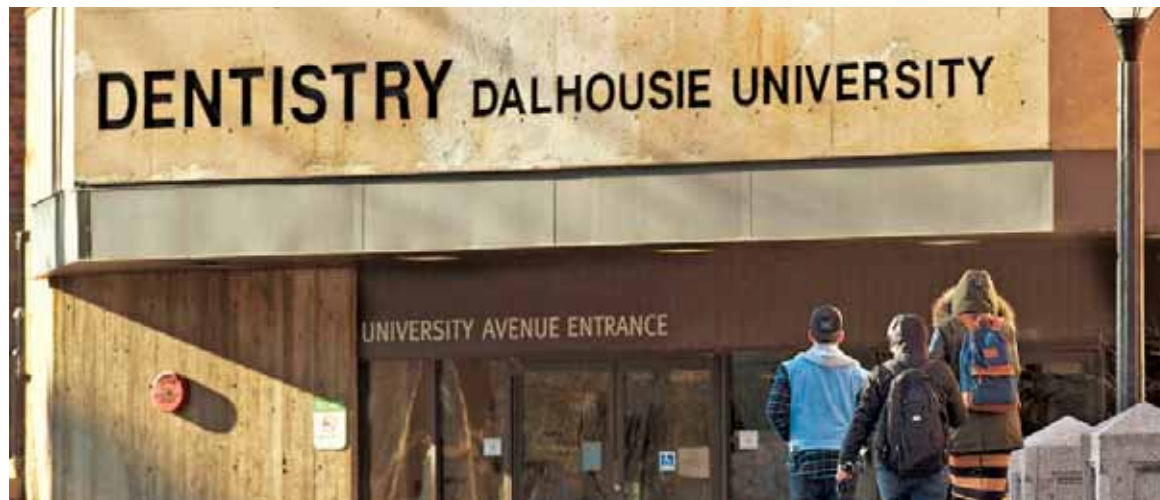
In a statement released late Monday, university president Richard Florizone said the school's academic standards class committee made the decision after reviewing the on-line posts, meeting each of the students and receiving reports and legal submissions.

Florizone said the students must adhere to several conditions, including close supervision, ongoing participation in a restorative-justice program and participation in classes on communication and professionalism.

"The (committee) has carefully considered whether a conditional return to clinic for the 12 men ... would create any risk to students, staff and the public," Florizone said in the statement posted on the university's website.

"Safety remains our priority. Before making this decision, every woman in the class was individually consulted by an assistant dean in the faculty of dentistry. Each woman supported the conditional return to clinic."

The statement goes on to say the committee will now assess whether the men will be able to meet the professional



Students head to the Dalhousie University dentistry building in Halifax on Jan. 6. Dalhousie University has decided to allow 12 male dentistry students to return to clinical practice less than two months after they were suspended for allegedly participating in a Facebook page that contained sexually violent content about female classmates. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

standards of their program.

"We do know, at this point, that due to missed clinic time, some of the men will not graduate this spring," the statement says. "No one will graduate until the (committee) determines that they have met the high professional and academic standards we set for our dentistry graduates."

Earlier in the day, the 12 students expressed remorse in an open letter to the community.

The university posted a joint statement, dated Sunday, by 29 members of the fourth-year dentistry class on its website, with the unidentified students saying they wanted to comment before an academic-standards committee rules on what discipline will be applied.

The members of the class who agreed to the statement are participating in a restora-

## Quoted

**"No member of the public will receive treatment from any of the men if they choose not to."**

Dalhousie University President  
Richard Florizone

tive-justice process the university started after the Facebook site's contents became public.

The letter says 12 male students believe their actions were "hurtful, painful and wrong" and that they harmed their classmates, patients, the university, their profession and the public.

"Through the restorative-justice process we are doing the work required to be sorry — to confront the harms we

have caused, to accept our responsibility, to figure out what is needed of us to make things right and to gain the knowledge, skills and capacities to be trusted health-care professionals," the men say in the letter.

"The need for change in ourselves became very clear through deep reflection on our failures and harmful actions."

There are three parts to the letter posted on the university website. One is written by the men in the class, a second section by the women and a third written by all the participants in the restorative-justice process.

The response from six women who were the target of the posts on Facebook says what was said was harmful and reflected "a broader culture" within the university and society.

But the six women say they don't agree with a university decision to segregate the men from their classmates and keep them out of clinical practice.

That decision fragmented and alienated the class at a time when they were particularly in need of support from their classmates, the women say, adding that they feel safe with the 12 members of the Facebook group.

"Many have asserted that all women feel unsafe, but this is not the case for us — we feel safe with the members of the Facebook group involved in this restorative process," the women say in the letter.

They describe themselves as strong and professional women who are capable of speaking for themselves in the case.

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# Union says school on Saturdays, over March break not necessary

**Education.** President of NSTU says teachers will work hard to make sure student needs are met in remaining time



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Although the province's education minister has talked about using Saturdays and March break days to make up class time lost to snow days, the head of the Nova Scotia Teachers Union says instructors will be able to deliver their outcomes without those extra days.

Education Minister Karen Casey said last Thursday it's up to school boards to move around assemblies and other events, since areas like the Annapolis Valley and Cape Breton have missed close to 10 days, and kids could be brought in for three Saturdays or over March break.

"I don't think it's necessary at this point," Shelley Morse, president of NSTU, said Monday. "I was surprised when Minister Casey talked about ... teaching on Saturdays and March break because in our contract it clearly states that we do not."

Morse said she hasn't spoken with Casey directly, but has heard from many parents

## Quoted

**"We work hard to make sure students are achieving."**

Shelley Morse, president of the Nova Scotia Teachers Union

who are concerned about losing family vacations planned over the break, or high-school students who work Saturdays.

Since losing the truancy officer, Morse said attendance is hard enough to enforce during the school week.

"I'm not sure how she would get them there on Saturdays," Morse said.

The issue of adding class time due to snow days pops up depending on the winter, Morse said, but added it's important to remember teachers are professionals and will work hard to modify the curriculum in the remainder of the school year to make sure learning needs are met.

Morse said people often forget the hundreds of hours teachers work outside the school day, and there's a lot of work that's done before 9 a.m. and after 3 p.m. to plan lessons and mark tests.

"They will make up that time by adjusting the work," Morse said. "They're not going to want to see their students suffer."



Kemble Flynn answers questions from her primary class at Ecole Grosvenor Wentworth Park School in 2013. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Snow days

**Assemblies, trips may be cut to make up time**

Although most schools have missed only 4-1/2 days due to storms this winter, leaky roofs created issues for some last week that could mean fewer assemblies and class trips, according to the school board.

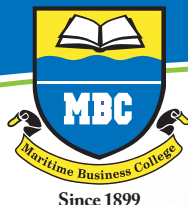
Halifax Regional School Board spokesman Doug Hadley said Monday that leaks and roof damage in schools like J.L. Isley High School have resulted in a total of nine or more days being missed.

He said those schools have been asked to consider whether events like assemblies, carnivals and class trips would be better spent in the classroom.

Hadley said Beechville Lakeside Timberlea Elementary and Astral Drive Junior High School have missed 10 days this year, and Ecole St. Catherine's School nine.

Hadley said the board could consider using professional development days for class if the snow-day cancellations keep climbing.

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## Public health 'pleased' with Acadia vaccinations

Annapolis Valley public health officials says they're pleased with how vaccination efforts against meningococcal B bacteria have gone so far at Acadia University.

In a media release Monday, health authority spokeswoman Lesley Mulcahy said clinics at the Wolfville campus have given a dose of the vaccine to 84 per cent of 3,500 local students.

"A small number of faculty and staff who met the criteria for being at high risk for contracting meningitis would be included in the vaccination numbers as well," the release states.

One woman — 18-year-



Emily Cunningham receives a dose of meningitis B vaccine at Acadia. KINGS COUNTY REGISTER

old Sarah Hastings — died of meningococcal meningitis on Feb. 1. A second woman — Hope Maryka, who was also in the business faculty with Hastings — was treated for the disease and recovered later in February.

When both cases were identified as being caused by the strain B, the province declared it was an "institutional outbreak."

"Public Health is very pleased with the turnout," Mulcahy's statement reads.

Health officials are working with Acadia to find out if any students received a dose of vaccine from other health-care providers.

A clinic will be held on March 6 from noon to 3 p.m. at the Fountain Commons for students who haven't gotten the immunization yet. Clinics for administering booster shots will begin March 30.

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Contractor Matthew Leahey clears a patch of sidewalk along Russell Street on Monday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Sidewalk clearing too big a job: Contractor

### Snow removal.

Matthew Leahey says 'endless, terrible' job not worth the pay



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The owner of one of two companies responsible for clearing snow and ice from sidewalks on the peninsula says so far this winter he's had to sleep in his truck, lost several employees and is ready to give up the contract altogether.

"I would give them back every penny that I've collected this year and say, 'Here you go HRM, you can take it over,'" said Matthew Leahey on Monday.

Since Feb. 2, the owner of Leahey's Landscaping said his workers have been going

around the clock, trying to keep 54 kilometres of sidewalk in the North End clear.

He said the worst winter conditions he's ever seen have made it impossible to get the sidewalks down to bare pavement and keep them that way.

On top of the ceaseless freeze-thaw cycle, he said his crews are also locked in a losing battle with the city's street-clearing equipment.

"The city tandem comes by and they drive as fast as they can to push that snow up and they clog that sidewalk full of snow to the brim," he said.

"Then, let's say 30 hours later, a city loader comes by.... You know where he shoves every bit of that snow? Into my sidewalk."

Leahey said mechanized equipment is too small to break up the ice and hiring people with hand tools just

isn't feasible.

"I would literally have to hire everybody from each one of the houses that I do, which would probably cost me about \$1 million," he said.

Leahey said his company has been fined by the city for not meeting the service standards, a move he criticized as an attempt to save face.

"They can't penalize themselves ... so they save face by punishing the contractors," he said, noting HRM's in-house crews aren't faring any better with snow removal.

He said he doesn't blame residents for being fed up but said the sheer hopelessness of the task has driven several workers to quit.

"It's a thankless, endless, terrible job," he said. "It's good pay, but who would want to go to work every day if you just can't make a difference?"

the Halifax area patrolled by HRP and RCMP was reported around 6:20 a.m.

By 9:30 a.m., he said police had responded to a total of 32.

"It's a mix of everything," said Bourdages. "We have a head-on collision on Waverley Road. We have lots of vehicles off the roads, one that's rolled over on Agricola and Ontario."

Bourdages said there were minor or no injuries in most cases.

By 8:30 a.m., traffic on the Bedford Highway was backed up as far as Ham-

monds Plains Road. Twitter was flooded with updates about the conditions and delays.

"40 mins for less than 2kms travelled. At this rate I will be at work by noon! And it's only 10kms from home!" tweeted @Bloomers-rpurdy at 8:57 a.m.

Despite the poor conditions, all Halifax Regional School Board schools were open for the day, but Stock Transportation tweeted out dozens of reports of delays and buses not travelling on some side roads.

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### Traffic

### Monday morning snowfall causes gridlock, crashes

Another dose of snow in Halifax led to gridlock on most of the city's major routes for the morning commute on Monday.

Snow started falling early Monday, making the roads slick and slushy by the morning rush hour.

Halifax Regional Police Const. Pierre Bourdages said the first accident in



# New gallery sees endless possibilities in young artists

**Art Zone.** Grand opening coming for downtown gallery intent on showcasing new talent



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The owner of a new downtown Halifax gallery is hoping to foster the potential of young artists in the city and give them a reason to stay.

Art Zone, located in the former Hub space on the second floor of 1673 Barrington St., is hosting an opening reception March 25 for the Endless Possibilities exhibition and contest.

"It's an artistic town with four universities ... graduating new artists," says owner Mohamed Ahmed, 58.

"Being an artist myself, I thought it would be nice if this is something I can give

to this wonderful community of Halifax."

Originally from Egypt, Ahmed has been living in Halifax for two years and says he decided to become an art investor and gallery owner after retiring from his pharmacy career in order to pursue a real "passion."

The 2,000-square-foot space has been transformed into a "museum-quality" gallery with two rooms outfitted with tools for artists to create their own pieces or attend workshops with established and international artists.

It's taken about six months to get the gallery ready for the opening, Ahmed said. The contest means those who submitted art will be reviewed and displayed as finalists until April 8, with the top three receiving prizes of \$1,000, \$600 and \$400.

Barrington Street has seen its share of businesses fold over the past few years as the city works towards revitalizing the urban core. Ahmed says he knows galleries come



Mohamed Ahmed, owner of Art Zone, poses for a photo in front of some works by Monika Wright. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Quoted

**"If we want to get them attached to the city, we should give them the chance to get a suitable job or otherwise have a successful project of their own."**

Mohamed Ahmed, owner of Art Zone, on how to nurture Halifax's young artists

and go, but believes Halifax is a city that supports creativity.

"They do love art, the people of Halifax," Ahmed said. "If we can promote our young artists to the public, the situation should be changed."

An art gallery and incubator is just one more way to allow young people to gain confidence in their field and allow them to stay in Nova Scotia and not take off for cities like Montreal or Toronto, Ahmed said.

"If we want to get them attached to the city, we should give them the chance to get a suitable job or otherwise have a successful project of their own," Ahmed says.

"I'm intent to do some effort in this area."

## Details

**Endless Possibilities** launches on March 25 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., and runs until April 9.

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## City launches campaign to improve voter participation

Halifax has launched a new public engagement campaign on voter participation and how to get more people to cast a ballot.

The seven-week campaign kicked off Monday with an online forum and questionnaire being launched on the Shape Your City Halifax portal.

The themes for discussion include voter engagement, young and new voters, how to cast your ballot and accessibility.

The city has other public participation sessions scheduled, including an interactive half-day webcast event at the Halifax Central Library on April 11 from 9



Halifax City Hall is getting the jump on voter engagement. METRO FILE

a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and social media interaction with the Twitter handle @hxfellections.

The campaign runs until April 20.

For more information

on the campaign go to [shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/elections](http://shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/elections).

Halifax's next municipal election is slated for Oct. 15, 2016.

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# New engine next for city website

**Halifax.ca.** Officials look under the hood following paint job



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The city's website got a new look last year, and now HRM is looking for insights into how to improve the site's operation and functionality.

A request-for-information posted Monday seeks "options for the development, implementation, hosting and support for a new Transformed Halifax.ca website."

HRM spokesman Brendan Elliott said that although the website's appearance was upgraded last May, the "backbone" remains the same.

"It's the engine under the hood that's being looked at right now as opposed to the design of what the car looks like on the outside," he said.

A release on the website "refresh" last May makes reference to forthcoming



A release on the website "refresh" last May makes reference to forthcoming "enhancements to functionality and overall user experience." CONTRIBUTED

"enhancements to functionality and overall user experience."

Elliott said the site's "engine" is outdated, and the RFI is intended to solicit in-

formation from experts in web development on technology that could improve the speed of navigation.

"It's one of those things where we don't know what

we don't know," he said.

"So we're looking to find out from the experts what can be done, and does it make sense from a municipal perspective to go that

route."

In addition to development and implementation of the new site, the RFI also raises the possibility of having an external party host

## Quoted

"We would like to hear from a potential host what kinds of things they could do for us that would make the user experience better."

HRM spokesman Brendan Elliott

and maintain it.

"Our employees, by definition, are generalists," said Elliott.

"It seems to make sense that we would like to have it hosted by someone who does this for a living and has the experts on staff that can jump in and do a fix or improve on the go when we are actually up and running with whatever service we decide to go with."

Elliott said information received under the RFI would be compiled by HRM staff into a report and presented, along with some tentative dollar figures, to regional council at a later date.

## Man accused of trying to murder five with shotgun

A Yarmouth County man charged with five counts of attempted murder following an alleged shooting incident on Sunday has been released on bail and several court-imposed conditions.

Michael James Vacon, 59, appeared in provincial court in Yarmouth on Monday for a show-cause hearing. Judge Robert Prince determined that Vacon could be released.

Vacon's next court appearance has been set for March 11.

The five counts against Vacon, laid by the Yarmouth Rural RCMP, stem from reports of gunshots in Springhaven early Sunday morning.

Police say officers were responding to a disturbance call at a Springhaven residence when a second call came in saying that shots had been fired at a vehicle with occupants inside.

There were three occupants in the truck and two standing nearby, according to RCMP Staff Sgt. Michel Lacroix. He said two shots were fired.

No one was injured. "There was a vehicle blocking access to another residence, and someone tried to go around the vehicle to get access ... and there was an argument that took place in relation to that, and there was some alcohol involved, and after

## Also accused

A 56-year-old woman that was also arrested — the man's wife, according to RCMP Staff Sgt. Michel Lacroix — has been charged with counselling to commit attempted murder and will appear in court on April 27.

that shots were fired," Lacroix said.

Vacon is charged with discharging a shotgun, one count of careless use of a firearm, and four counts of unsafe storage of a firearm.

Four firearms were seized at his residence on March 1.

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## Truro

### 'Brutal' year for potholes ahead

A warning about potholes in Truro is being communicated loud and clear.

"This year is going to be a brutal year," said Mayor Bill Mills.

The issue was discussed

briefly during Monday's town council meeting. Coun. Danny Joseph said Arthur Street is plagued by potholes, especially adjacent to Hallidays.

Mills said residents should expect a "more severe" pothole season and said most of the main streets, including Prince, Queen, Arthur and Willow, have been hit hard.

It's the price to pay for

winter cleanup, said Mills, especially after so many major storms.

"I've been told we have some of the best cleared streets (but) when you put the (snow-removal equipment) blade that close to the ground you achieve clean roads but you also rip up a lot of the asphalt," said Mills.

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# 'Embarrassing that another country has brought him to the forefront'

## Child sex abuse.

Canadians pleased that Ernest MacIntosh has been jailed in Nepal

Two men who testified against Ernest Fenwick MacIntosh say his conviction in Nepal for sexual assault of a nine-year-old boy is both a relief and a painful reminder of how the system failed to bring him to justice in time in Canada.

MacIntosh, 71, was sentenced Sunday to seven years in prison in Nepal for sexually abusing a minor. The Associated Press reported Monday.

The Lalitpur district court also said the visitor to the Asian country was ordered to pay \$10,000 US to the victim.

MacIntosh was convicted of multiple counts of abusing four boys in the Port Hawkesbury area in the 1970s, but those convictions were overturned

## Apology

The Justice Department couldn't immediately be reached for comment on the Fenwick MacIntosh case, but the victims in Canada did receive an apology almost 18 months ago.

by a higher court that ruled it took too long to bring the former businessman to trial.

Bob Martin said the conviction in Nepal was a relief after the disappointment of MacIntosh's release from jail in Nova Scotia.

"It's good to see that Nepalese officials managed to do in about 49 days what Canadian officials failed to do over 15 years," said the 57-year-old.

"It's embarrassing that another country has brought him to the forefront."

Martin said he and Dale Sutherland worked with a

Toronto lawyer to assemble a timeline of the Canadian court proceedings against MacIntosh and sent it to police and the prosecution in Nepal after a friend in Halifax translated the records into Nepalese.

Martin said he has carefully monitored MacIntosh's movements since he got a new Canadian passport after his release in 2013 to travel overseas working as a spice salesman.

Jonathan Rosenthal, the lawyer who worked with Martin on the file, said the records were noted in the Nepalese judgment.

"I urged them (the two men in Canada) to provide the documents because I wanted to make sure the Nepalese authorities knew this wasn't just another sex tourist," he said.

Sutherland said in an interview that he remains concerned that somehow MacIntosh may again appeal and secure his release.

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Ernest Fenwick MacIntosh, 71, was sentenced Sunday to seven years in prison in Nepal. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

## Crown wants jail term for former pastor

A former Glace Bay pastor will learn his sentence later this month after a Supreme Court justice reserved decision on Monday.

After hearing sentencing arguments from prosecutor Christa MacKinnon and defence lawyer Nash Brogan, Justice Robin Gogan adjourned sentencing until March 12.

Robert Stewart Lawther, 62, was convicted in December on a single count of sexual interference involving a girl under the age of 15. A Supreme Court jury returned a not-guilty verdict on two other similar counts involving two other female complainants.

MacKinnon has recommended a two-year jail sentence followed by a one-year period of probation. She is also



Robert Stewart Lawther  
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seeking a DNA order, an order to register as a sex offender for 20 years and an order to prohibit Lawther from visiting places where children are likely to gather, including pools, parks and playgrounds.

Brogan recommended a sentence of 45 to 90 days that could be served on weekends.

Lawther was charged with three counts of sexual interference involving three girls under the age of 16. The offences were alleged to have occurred between 2006 and 2011, when two of the complainants were between the ages of six and 11 — they are now 14 — while the third was between the ages of two and seven, and is now 10.

The complainants all testified Lawther touched them while in a swimming pool.

Lawther was the pastor at Bethel Family Church (Pentecostal) but after his conviction he was removed as pastor and now works in a call centre.

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## Bible Hill

### Police seek driver in hit-and-run case

A 14-year-old girl was taken to hospital with minor injuries after being struck by a vehicle Sunday evening on the Park Street

bridge in Bible Hill.

The driver of the vehicle — which is described as being a black or dark-coloured pickup truck — did not stop after the teen, who was walking along the side of the road, was struck by the passenger-

side mirror.

The incident occurred at about 6:25 p.m.

The Bible Hill RCMP detachment is requesting the public's assistance in providing information related to the matter.

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# Human-rights shrine bans selfie-stick use

**Self-portraits.** The Canadian Museum for Human Rights says the ban will ensure the safety of the museum's visitors and its exhibits

The Canadian Museum for Human Rights in Winnipeg is joining renowned museums around the world in banning the use of selfie sticks.

The sticks are the extendable poles that hold a camera or smartphone beyond arm's length to help take group photographs or pictures of one's self.

Maureen Fitzhenry, a museum spokeswoman, says one of the main reasons for the ban is the safety of museum visitors and exhibits.

Fitzhenry says the facility is also concerned about the devices posing an obstacle to other visitors and in maintaining a respectful environment, given the content of some of the exhibits.

Selfies are still allowed, but the museum encourages visitors to keep to handheld, flash-free photography and doesn't allow the use of camera tripods.

Fitzhenry says the museum hasn't had any trouble with people using the sticks



Chris White-Ferrell takes a selfie using a selfie stick outside the Canadian Museum for Human Rights on Monday afternoon. The museum has banned the use of selfie sticks inside the building. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

so far.

In February, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York barred visitors from using the devices, fearing they could damage artworks and disrupt fellow

patrons.

The Met's decision followed a string of U.S. institutions outlawing selfie sticks, including New York's Museum of Modern Art, the National Gallery of Art in

Washington and the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston.

The National Gallery in central London disallows them as well.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Toronto tunnel. Mystery 'hangout' no threat: Police

A mystery tunnel discovered near a Pan Am Games venue in north Toronto was built by two men who wanted a place to "hang out," police said Monday.

The pair, who were tracked down thanks to tips from the public, told investigators they built the tunnel for "personal reasons" and their explanation has been verified, Const. Victor Kwong said.

Kwong said police have determined there was never any criminal intent or danger to public safety, and no charges will be laid.

"It literally was these two guys who had an idea to create a place to themselves to hang out in," he said.

"You think about a kid making a fort, digging a hole — add 15 years to that," he said.

The men had "no idea" they weren't allowed to dig in a public park and were apologetic during their interview with po-



A Toronto police photo of the tunnel found near one of the venues for this year's Pan Am games. COURTESY TORONTO POLICE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

lice, he said.

Toronto bylaw enforcement said digging on city land would be considered trespassing, which is enforced by police.

Police are not releasing the men's names or any further details since the case is not a criminal investigation, but Kwong said there is no connection to York University, which is near the tunnel site, or the Pan Am Games. THE CANADIAN PRESS

### Thailand

#### Quebec sisters likely poisoned by pesticide: Coroner

A Quebec coroner has concluded that two sisters found dead in their hotel room in Thailand in 2012 were probably intoxicated by phosphine, a strong pesticide. The same pesticide was also believed to have been responsible for the recent deaths of two children in northern Alberta. THE CANADIAN PRESS

### University of Alberta

#### President aware of anti-abortion display concerns

The president of the University of Alberta is aware of concerns over an upcoming anti-abortion display but says the school supports freedom of expression. In a statement posted online, Indira Samarasekera says Go-Life is a registered student group on campus and has followed university policies. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Bell files motion to appeal Super Bowl ad decision

Canadians may not get to watch American Super Bowl ads on Canadian TV channels after all, if Bell gets its way.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) issued a ban this year on the simultaneous substitution of Canadian advertising over U.S. ads during the NFL final.

Bell Media called the decision unfair Monday as it filed a motion with the Federal Court of Appeal to contest the decision, saying the CRTC acted in error.

"People see the CRTC's simultaneous substitution decision as a negative for Canada," Bell Media vice-president of communications Scott Hen-

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"If it makes policy decisions based on what Canadians value, it's clear the CRTC fumbled this decision."

Scott Henderson, Bell Media vice-president

derson said in a statement.

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Bell claims the CRTC was wrong to single out Super Bowl ads for the ban while declaring simultaneous substitution, known as simsub, important to the broadcasting system.

A spokeswoman for the

regulator said the CRTC would not comment on the appeal because the issue is now before the courts.

But the broadcasters have argued they need the revenue generated by the ads to pay for the Canadian rights to air the game.

It's estimated that simsub pumps \$250 million annually into Canada's broadcast system. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Severe climate change one factor in Syrian revolution, new study claims

## Record drought.

Damaging 4-year dry spell forced farmers to move to poverty stricken cities

The extreme drought that wreaked havoc on Syria between 2006 and 2010 was exacerbated by climate change, and that drought may have helped trigger the country's 2011 revolution, says a pro-

vocative new study.

The revolution has since evolved into a complex war that has killed at least 200,000 people, displaced millions and involved many countries. It has also led to the birth of the Islamic State, the brutal terrorist organization that controls vast areas of Syria and Iraq.

"We are not saying climate change caused the uprising," said Colin Kelley, a climatologist at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and lead author of the study. "What we are saying is that this multi-year

drought was made more severe due to this long-term trend and that led to this chain of events."

The study was published in the journal *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* on Monday.

Researchers say the multi-year drought, the worst ever recorded in the region, wrecked agriculture in the breadbasket region of northern Syria, driving farmers and their families to cities where poverty and mismanagement by the Bashar Assad government was rampant. This migration came

on the heels of more than 1.5 million Iraqi refugees fleeing war in their country and making home in Syria, pointed out Kelley.

"The urban population increased by 50 per cent in eight years. That is a tremendous strain on existing resources," he said. The uprising happened directly after that, he said.

Droughts have been a recurring phenomenon in the Mediterranean region, including substantial ones in the 1950s, 1980s and 1990s, but concern

is rising that man-made climate change is intensifying their frequency and duration.

The area called the Fertile Crescent — parts of Turkey and much of Syria and Iraq — has undergone warming of 1 to 1.2 degrees Celsius and approximately a 10 per cent reduction in wet-season precipitation since 1900, say researchers. This trend is in line with models of human-influenced global warming, said Kelley.

The region is expected to get drier and hotter.

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## Problem faced by farmers

Shahrazad Mohtadi, co-author of the study, says decades of unsustainable policies made it tough for Syrian farmers to weather the drought of 2006-2010. The Assad family encouraged export crops like cotton, which needs a lot of water, and groundwater wells were not regulated, she said. "It depleted groundwater that would have helped during long, dry years."

## Kansas

### Anti-Semitism at heart of triple killing: Officer

A man accused of fatally shooting three people at Jewish sites in the state of Kansas declared "Heil Hitler!" and asked how many Jews he had killed after the attacks, a police officer who was at the scene testified Monday.

Frazier Glenn Miller, 74, is charged with capital murder in the April 2014 shootings at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City in Overland Park and at a nearby Jewish retirement home. None of the victims were Jewish. Prosecutors plan to seek the death penalty.

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## Eastern Europe

### Ukraine-conflict body count: 6,000

More than 6,000 people have died in eastern Ukraine since the start of the conflict almost a year ago that has led to "devastation of civilian lives and infrastructure," the UN human-rights office said Monday.

Hundreds of civilians and military personnel have been killed in recent weeks after an upswing in fighting particularly near Donetsk airport, said a report. The strategic railroad town of Debaltsevo was captured from Ukrainian government forces last month by pro-Russian separatists.

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## Life's a beach: Hail storms surprise California

Pedestrians on the Huntington Beach pier look at a beach covered with hail after a passing storm on Monday in Huntington Beach, Calif. The National Weather Service says at least an inch of icy pellets coated the sand at Huntington Beach after the system roared ashore Monday morning. VICTOR M BRAVO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## U.S. L.A. police shoot dead homeless man in incident caught on video

Police fatally shot a homeless man during a "brutal" videotaped struggle in which a rookie officer cried out that the man had hold of his gun before three other officers opened fire, the Los Angeles police chief said Monday.

Chief Charlie Beck's account of the incident, including photos showing the condition of the gun, was rare 24 hours after a shooting involving an officer. It comes amid heightened attention to killings by police that have led to protests, some violent, across the United States.

Beck said video showed the man reaching toward the officer's waistband. The officer's gun was found partly cocked and jammed with a bullet in

## Quoted

"You can hear the young officer who was primarily engaged in the confrontation saying that 'He has my gun. He has my gun.'"

L.A. police chief Charlie Beck

the chamber and another in the ejection port, indicating a struggle for the weapon. "You can hear the young officer who was primarily engaged in the confrontation saying that 'He has my gun. He has my gun,'" Beck said. "He says it several times, with conviction."

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## Iraq. Military operation aiming to recapture town from Islamic State group

Backed by Iranian-supported Shiite militias, Iraqi forces launched a large-scale offensive Monday to retake Saddam Hussein's hometown from the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) group, the first in a series of campaigns to try to reclaim large parts of northern Iraq from the Sunni extremists.

Previous attempts to capture the symbolic city have failed, and hours into Monday's operation, the military said it still hadn't entered Tikrit, indicating a long battle lies ahead.

Retaking it will help Iraqi forces secure a major supply link for any future operation to retake Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city which has been under militant rule since June.

State-run Al-Iraqiya television said that forces were attacking from different directions, backed by artillery and airstrikes by Iraqi fighter jets. It said the militants were dislodged from some areas outside the city, but several hours into the operation, it gave no additional details.

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## Google takes to treetops

Google revealed images Monday taken by its Trekker device that shows what it's like to zip through trees in the Amazon jungle in South America. The images are the latest addition to the Google Maps Street View option. COURTESY GOOGLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Michael Jordan makes it onto billionaires list

**Forbes.** Investment in Charlotte Hornets lifted NBA Hall of Fame player onto annual list

Michael Jordan and two other NBA owners have joined Forbes' annual list of the world's billionaires.

Forbes released its list of billionaires on Monday and noted that Jordan's net worth is estimated at \$1 billion US, thanks to his well-timed investment in the Charlotte Hornets.

Houston Rockets owner Leslie Alexander, with a net worth of \$1.6 billion, and Chicago Bulls owner Jerry Reinsdorf, worth \$1.3 billion, also made the list.

The net worth of NBA franchise values increased this past year after the sale of the Los Angeles Clippers to Steve Ballmer for \$2 billion.



NBA legend Michael Jordan.  
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The 52-year-old Jordan, a Hall of Fame player who won six NBA championships with the Bulls, reached billionaire status last June, according to the magazine. This is his first year on Forbes' annual list, which is typically released in March. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### The Top 10

- 1** Bill Gates, U.S.A.  
Net worth: \$79.2 billion.  
Source of wealth: Technology company Microsoft Corp.
- 2** Carlos Slim Helu, Mexico.  
Net worth: \$77.1 billion.  
Source of wealth: Telecommunications.
- 3** Warren Buffett, U.S.A.  
Net worth: \$72.7 billion.  
Source of wealth: Investment holding company Berkshire Hathaway Inc.
- 4** Amancio Ortega, Spain.  
Net worth: \$64.5 billion.  
Source of wealth: Retail chain Zara.
- 5** Larry Ellison, U.S.A.  
Net worth: \$54.3 billion.  
Source of wealth: Technology company Oracle Corp.
- 6** Charles Koch (tie), U.S.A.  
Net worth: \$42.9 billion.  
Source of wealth: Conglomerate Koch Industries.
- 6** David Koch (tie), U.S.A.  
Net worth: \$42.9 billion.  
Source of wealth: Conglomerate Koch Industries.
- 8** Christy Walton, U.S.A.  
Net worth: \$41.7 billion.  
Source of wealth: Retailer Wal-Mart Stores Inc.
- 9** Jim Walton, U.S.A.  
Net worth: \$40.6 billion.  
Source of wealth: Retailer Wal-Mart Stores Inc.
- 10** Liliane Bettencourt, France.  
Net worth: \$40.1 billion.  
Source of wealth: Cosmetics company L'Oreal.

SOURCE: FORBES

### Credit cards

## Costco strikes deal with Citi, Visa

Costco says it struck a deal for Citi to be the exclusive issuer of its co-branded credit cards in the U.S., with Visa replacing American Express.

American Express said the relationship with Costco expires March 31, 2016. The deal with Visa takes effect the next day. Costco has been accepting MasterCard at its Canadian locations since Jan. 1. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Wireless networks

## Google working on cellular services

Google vice-president Sundar Pichai says Google is working with network operators on developing a cellular plan that, he says, will be announced "in the coming months." Speaking at the Mobile World Congress wireless show in Barcelona, Pichai called the plan "a project" and insisted the Internet giant is not a threat to traditional service providers.

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## YOU GET THE RAIL YOU PAY FOR

With operating costs predicted in the millions, the price for commuter rail might be steep — but as Halifax grows, we may still need it



**YOUR RIDE**  
ERICA BUTLER

No one, it seems, not even our own Transportation Standing Committee, wants to get on a bus heading down the Bedford Highway.

Back at their January meeting, the council committee discussed adding a second downtown location to present the early results of the new commuter-rail feasibility study. The problem, Coun. Linda Mosher pointed out with a smile, was “there’s no way that you can get a bus from downtown to Sunnyside Mall.”

Of course, the 80 runs out to Sunnyside in 45 to 50 minutes with no traffic. Trouble is, there’s usually traffic.

Luckily, plenty of people made it out last Thursday to find out what Halifax commuter rail might look like, how many of us might use it, and how much it might cost, so hopefully one day that long bus ride from Bedford to Halifax won’t have to be so long.

Let’s be honest: it’s going to be expensive.

Not the initial costs — in a world where taxpayers are contributing \$150 million to help build a convention centre, the \$24- to \$45-million price tag for commuter rail seems like a bargain.

The great sucking of teeth comes when you look over the operating costs.

The highest ridership prediction for a system connecting the south-end Halifax Via Station to the Cobequid Terminal in Lower Sackville is 3,500 people per week-day.

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The report predicts the cost for those million rides would be \$16 million, or about \$16 per passenger.

According to Halifax Transit, our most expensive services (MetroX and Community Transit) clock in at about \$10 per passenger. Our express bus service, MetroLink, comes in at \$4.68, while our regular bus service is a mere \$2.80 per ride.

So yes, the price is steep, but we may still need it.

In a 2010 study of Halifax’s road network plan, consultants at McCormack Rankin commented that in order for Halifax to move forward, “higher order transit services on a dedicated corridor are required to service the major employment areas on the peninsula.”

The report referenced efforts looking into express buses, high-speed ferries and commuter rail and concluded, “It is expected that one or more forms of this type of service will be needed to achieve the expected transit ridership numbers identified in the Regional Plan.”

As we grow, we won’t have the space or the money to keep expanding our roads. Commuter rail will get transit riders out of traffic, get them to work on time and lure more people off our roads in the process.

*Erica Butler lives in Halifax and uses transit, a car and a bicycle to get around the city. You can follow her on Twitter @HabitatRadio.*



A Via Rail train moves through Halifax on June 4, 2013 — an example of what commuter rail would look like.

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## You can Meet a Muslim Family, but don’t stop there



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Ahmadiyya Muslims (a minority sect of Islam) will for the next couple weeks invite strangers into their homes to dispel misconceptions about Islam.

There are some obvious concerns with the Meet a Muslim Family campaign, encapsulated by this tweet: @ShebaSid: “I feel like the next step is a zoo full of Muslims. You can poke and prod us and coo at us. Throw us a piece of meat. #MeetAMuslimFamily #WTF”

As a Muslim myself, I can relate. But in the context of a country where many people — even in urban areas — find us no less exotic than wallabies (and considerably more violent), it’s laudable that some in the community are being proactive.

Last week’s outrageous incident of a Quebec judge refusing to hear a woman’s case because she was wearing a head scarf demonstrates a need to educate the public on how the hijab, for example, is a bit different than sunglasses (and also not a sign of oppression — but that’s for a different article).

In light of all the false information propagated by both critics of Islam and by the terrorists who’ve perverted it, if Muslims wish to organize campaigns or stunts that find them holding signs inviting passersby to meet or hug them, well, it’s understandable.

However, a note of caution with these campaigns, illustrated with this anecdote:

In discussing a novel with a group of friends recently, I explained my shock at descriptions of Mennonite youth having sex, doing drugs and acting like “normal” rebellious teens. A friend interjected: “Oh no, they’re not like that at all! I lived with one in

### Hug me, I’m Muslim

**In light of all the false information propagated by both critics of Islam and by the terrorists who’ve perverted it, if Muslims wish to organize campaigns or stunts that find them holding signs inviting passersby to meet or hug them, well, it’s understandable.**

university, and they are very strict and pure.”

My friend not only met a Mennonite, she lived with a Mennonite. And that is how she understands anything to do with them. The problem with Meet a Muslim Family is that no one person could possibly speak for a group that’s composed of more than a billion and a half people worldwide. Some Muslim

families pray together, others drink together. Some can take four hours explaining why we’re meant to pray five times a day, others would say little more than, “It’s one of the pillars.”

While non-Muslims proactively seeking knowledge is noble, realistically, our communities cannot expect that. “Educate yourselves” is not a fair proposition. For better or worse, people develop impressions through those they know, and the onus is on Muslims to be open about their faith with neighbours and colleagues, mix in with other communities and be vocal in the face of false, misleading or offensive rhetoric.

So sure, go meet a Muslim. But what’s better than knowing one Muslim is knowing more than one Muslim.

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## News flash: Cameron likes sex, hates Twitter

Newlywed Cameron Diaz has an exciting new workout routine for you to try, but just don't expect her to release a video for it. Diaz decided it was about time she took a firm position on the topic of sex.

"It's something healthy that we need to be doing for many different reasons," she tells *Cosmopolitan*. Also healthy? Exercise. "People say, 'My body rejects exercise.' No, it doesn't. Your mind rejects exercise." Whoa. Oh, and while she's imparting so much wisdom, Diaz also wants to talk about moderation.

"Well-being is an equation," she intones. "Remember, you don't have to have the whole cake, you can have a piece." So go ahead, eat that piece of cake.

But it's not all positivity and sunbeams in Diaz's latest treatise on the lives of the healthy. She also admits there are some things she doesn't like. For instance, Twitter.

"I think social media is a crazy-ass experiment on society," she says. "The way people use it to get validation from a bunch of strangers is dangerous. What's the point?" Says the woman on the cover of a magazine talking about her sex life.



## What it takes to get Kanye to Oxford

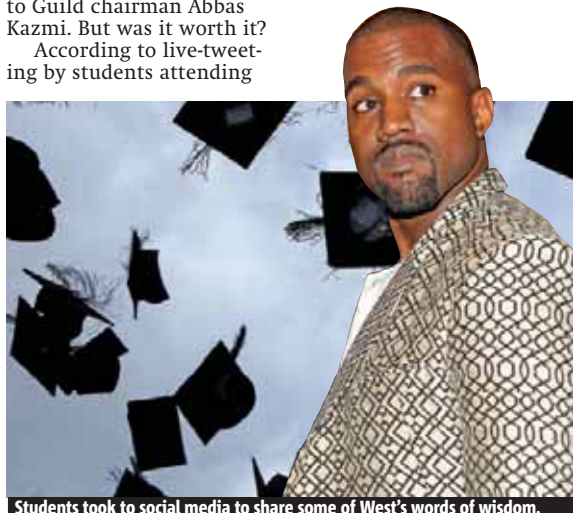
Kanye West gave a lecture at Oxford University Monday because obviously, right?

He's all about the speeches these days. But what did it take for the Oxford Guild Business Society to get Yeezus at the lectern?

"Many hours negotiating against the odds," according to Guild chairman Abbas Kazmi. But was it worth it?

According to live-tweeting by students attending

the event, totally. He offered some gems like, "Why I say the Matrix is like the Bible and what is my definition of the Matrix?" and "We have the ability to approach our race like ants, or we have the ability to approach our race like crabs." Oh, and: "Obama calls the home phone, by the way."



Students took to social media to share some of West's words of wisdom.



Taylor Swift ALL PHOTOS BY GETTY IMAGES

## Baby helps Swift shake off Perry beef

Taylor Swift has a new job. Jamie King took to Instagram to announce that she'd nominated the Shake it Off singer to be the godmother of her second, yet-to-arrive child.

"Taylor Swift will forever be watching over our new baby," King wrote. Swift herself posted a photo of communing with King's pregnant tummy.

And it's good that Swift has a new gig, since she's apparently shying away from her

old job of feuding with Katy Perry. In a lengthy chat with the *Telegraph*, Swift vows not to mention Perry anymore, so stop bringing her up, OK?

"I'm not giving them anything to write about," she says when asked about *Bad Blood*, her song allegedly about Perry. "I'm never going to talk about her in my interview. It's not going to happen."

Fine, whatever. But she will talk about her love life. Or the

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lack thereof. "I'll probably still be single" at 30, she predicts. "Let's be honest. No one's going to sign up for this and everything that goes with it. 'Hi, nice to meet you, want a date? Do you love camera flashes? I hope you do! I don't know what's going to happen if I'm ever content in a relationship — no idea how that's going to work. I don't even know if that's possible with the life I have."

## Chelsea's party gets out of Handler

Justin Bieber wasn't the only celebrity celebrating a big birthday recently. While he was down on a private island in the Caribbean — rather smartly, I might add — Chelsea Handler decided to throw her 40th birthday bash at her own home. And it did not end well. In fact, it ended with the cops shutting the whole shindig down. Handler's Bel Air neighbours reportedly lodged the noise complaints that attracted the police, sending her guests home early in the pouring rain. Some people just don't like fun.



Chelsea Handler

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# Looking to the future by Chasing Yesterday

**New album.** Former Oasis man Noel Gallagher is loving life as a solo artist

Former Oasis star Noel Gallagher is putting his past behind him, releasing a new solo album, ruling out a reunion with his brother Liam and even being nice about one-time arch-rivals Blur.

Oasis split five years ago after nearly two decades of fractious sibling rivalry between guitarist Noel and his younger brother Liam, the band's frontman.

"I haven't seen him for about five months but we text quite a lot. It's usually him insulting me," laughs Gallagher, during an interview in London.

Liam's post-Oasis band Beady Eye recently broke up as well but he is quick

to dismiss any suggestion of a reunion with his 42-year-old brother.

"The answer is no," he says.

His new album *Chasing Yesterday*, his second since the band split, is released on March 2 and features his signature combination of layered guitars and elliptical lyrics.

The star is full of enthusiasm for the life of a solo artist.

"It's more rewarding, it's more fulfilling. I like being in charge of everything," he says.

"I just write songs and I collect the songs together and I make an album out

of them."

Gallagher is now a 47-year-old family man with three children who is more likely to be found watching his beloved Manchester City than indulging a rock 'n' roll lifestyle.

His legendary bile towards musicians whose work he does not rate has not diminished with age.

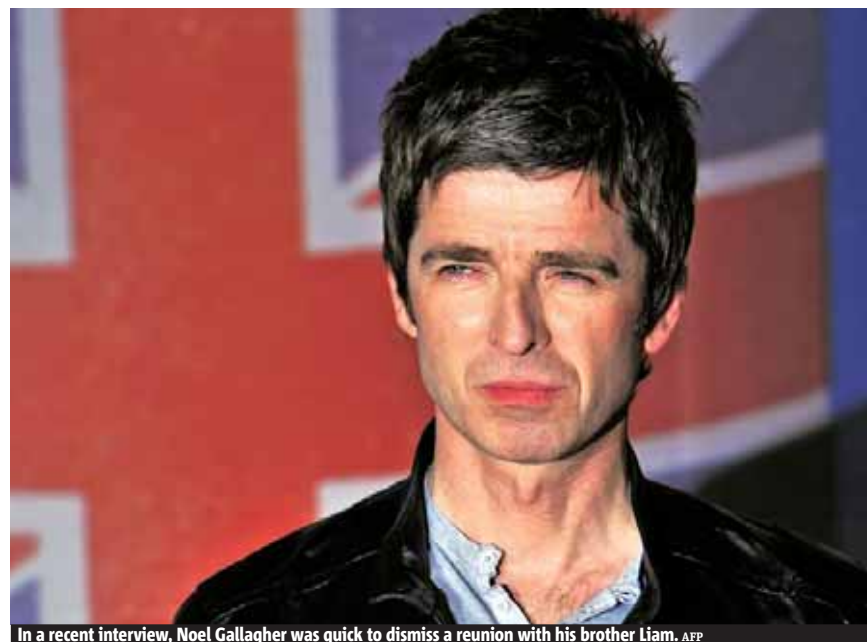
"Beyoncé, not for me. My wife loves her but she's got no taste. Katy Perry? Even my daughter hates her and she's 15. Sam Smith? Not for me," he says.

"Traditional rock stars are like wild animals — Mick Jagger or my brother," he adds.

## Quoted

**"It's more rewarding, it's more fulfilling. I like being in charge of everything."**

Noel Gallagher on working as a solo artist post Oasis



In a recent interview, Noel Gallagher was quick to dismiss a reunion with his brother Liam. AFP

"They don't give a f—. Modern rock stars, Alex Turner (of Arctic Monkeys) or Sergio from Kasabian, they do give a f—, they care about their hairstyle, they care about what they think."

He is more forgiving towards Oasis's old Britpop rivals Blur, who this month

announced their first new album in 12 years, *The Magic Whip*.

"I think it will probably be very good if it in any way represents what Damon (Albarn, Blur's frontman) has been doing recently," Gallagher says.

"Old groups are great but what really lets old groups

down, they don't f—ing write good songs any more."

He does not even rule out working with Albarn in future.

"I would like to. We're both gonna be busy boys for the next couple of years. But you never know," he says.

AFP

## Distribution

### Finding the perfect music release day



**SOUND CHECK**  
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Starting this summer, all new music will come out on Friday. Why? To get people into stores and buying online during the weekend.

When I started writing for Metro, my scribbles appeared on Fridays. The Almighty Editors believed since people were gearing up for the weekend that Fridays were the perfect time for music-related content. But then some time ago my column switched to Tuesday.

"Tuesdays are better," The Editors said. "In fact, we've made Tuesdays the paper's official music day. Makes sense, given that new music gets released on Tuesdays, right?"

Yeah. About that.

For years, the agreed-upon day for releasing new music was Tuesday, which was initiated to solve transportation and stocking issues. We thus became trained to expect new music on Tuesday. This

was good for the industry. If everything came out on the same day, it was easier to compile sales charts. Marketing plans could be geared to specific dates with big weekend campaigns leading up to release day. Radio stations arranged their work weeks around Tuesday visits from reps and music meetings on Wednesday or Thursday to determine what songs would be added to the playlist on Friday. However, there was a slight problem. The U.K. and Ireland insisted that Mondays were best for new releases. Japan preferred Wednesdays.

Different release days were fine in the era of physical releases. But digital files are another matter. Release a song in the U.K. on Monday and it instantly zings into territories that don't yet legally have it on sale. In an effort to co-ordinate everything from sales charts to rationalizing marketing plans to cutting down on piracy, the International Federation of the Photograph Industry (IFPI) opened a worldwide dialogue to hammer out a single global release day. And after much debate, they've decided that beginning this summer, all new music will come out on Friday. Why? To get people into stores and buying online during the weekend.

## Awards. YouTube celebrates big stars

Beyoncé, Big Sean, Drake and Ed Sheeran feature among the 50 artists who will be picking up an award from YouTube at a special online-only event scheduled for March 23.

YouTube has not explained how the artists were judged for winning their awards, other than to say that they "showed the biggest growth in view, subscribers and engagement over the last six months on YouTube." Collectively, the artists, who also include Katy Perry, OK Go, One Direction, Snoop Dogg, Taylor Swift and Lady Gaga, have clocked up more than 47 billion views and boast 164 million subscribers since September.

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Big Sean, left, is one of the YouTube award winners. AFP

## Lucy Domestic Medium Hair

We love five-year-old Lucy and believe you will too! This sweetie has beautiful markings and a regal air, but don't let that fool you — she is all fun and frolic. Lucy is friendly, outgoing, curious, observant, loves attention and takes well to people. Her favourite thing is a gentle rub along her backside. Lucy would prefer to be the only cat in the home. **If you are looking for a new feline BFF for whom you can provide a life of love and security, Lucy is your gal.**



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# Fertility myths debunked

**Trying to get pregnant?** An expert sets the record straight on a few widespread misconceptions

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Whether you're trying to get pregnant now or you want to have kids in the far-off future, educating yourself about fertility can only help your case. "If you want a good outcome, you need to be thoughtful about what information out there can help you," says Dr. Jamie Grifo, director of the New York University Fertility Center and co-author of *The Whole Life Fertility Plan*. Here, he helps expose some myths surrounding fertility.

## Myth #1: Being on the pill now will hurt your chances of getting pregnant later.

Dr. Grifo says this is a huge misconception people have for two reasons. The first is that it can take anywhere from three months to a year for a woman's menstrual cycle to get back to normal.

"It's harder initially (to conceive), but there's no measurable impact on fertility," Dr. Grifo says.

"Another reason for this myth is that a lot of women are on the pill until their late



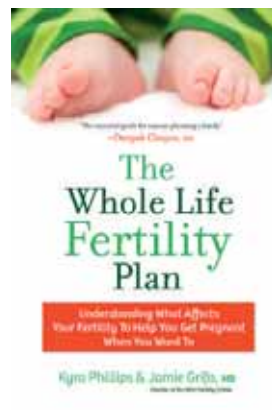
Educate yourself about fertility before you try to have a baby. ISTOCK

30s and then have trouble getting pregnant," Dr. Grifo says. "But the pill has nothing to do with it. They'd have the same problem if they had

never been on the pill. (It's really because) it's harder to get pregnant after a certain age."

## Myth #2: You shouldn't think about fertility until you're absolutely ready to have a baby.

If you are a woman over 30, Dr. Grifo says you need to start thinking about if and when you want to be a mom



now, when there are more options available to you.

"It breaks my heart when a 44-year-old woman sits down in my office completely dumbfounded that she's having trouble getting pregnant," Dr. Grifo says.

Simply educating yourself about fertility is a good place to start. Then you can start weighing your options, such as if you want to freeze your eggs so you can be your own egg donor later, when you are ready to have a child, though there are several other options as well.

## Myth #3: Drinking alcohol will hurt your chances of getting pregnant.

Good news — Dr. Grifo says having three or four glasses of wine a week isn't going to hurt your eggs. Things that may negatively impact your fertility include smoking and too much junk food.

"It's more about treating your body with respect and common sense," Dr. Grifo says, stressing the importance of eating a balanced diet rich in protein and healthy fats, as well as regularly exercising.

## Hearing

## Your jam could be bad for your ears, WHO says

More than one billion young people risk damaging their hearing through listening to loud music, the World Health Organization (WHO) said on Friday.

The WHO estimates that around half of those between the ages of 12 and 35 in middle- and high-income countries are at risk due to unsafe levels of sound on personal audio devices or smartphones.

Another 40 per cent are at risk from damaging audio levels at concert venues and night clubs.

"More and more young people are exposed to unsafe levels of sounds. Young people should be aware that once you lose your hearing, it won't come back," said Shelley Chadha, a WHO specialist on hearing impairment.

To counter the risks, the WHO recommends personal audio devices not be used for more than an hour a day, and used at reduced sound levels.

The use of earplugs in loud conditions and regular checkups were part of the recommendations as well.

The WHO also wants governments to play a role by imposing strict regulations on noise in public places. AFP

Listen with care, says WHO. ISTOCK



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6 Ellie Goulding Love Me Like You Do

5 Rihanna ft Kanye West & Paul McCartney FourFiveSeconds

4 Nick Jonas Chains

3 Pitbull ft Ne-Yo Time Of Our Lives

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Healthy eating

## Peachy keen on benefits of canned food



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Is canned food allowed back into your healthy gourmet kitchen?

As February was National Canned Food Month and this month is Nutrition Month, I see no reason why the two can't get along.

I already know that I love peaches. I have since I was six, and waiting 11 months for my fix isn't fair, so I do put canned peaches through their paces especially this time of year.

Canned peaches deliver a promising amount of nutrients that are actually enhanced by the canning process. Vitamin A, folate, lycopene and some antioxidants are made more bio-available by the heating and canning process. But the truly impressive nutrient is vitamin E.

Vitamin E is a fat-soluble, anti-inflammatory, anti-aging nutrient that is usually

associated with nuts and seeds. And while those little nuggets are great for you, a small handful is all you can eat each day because of their caloric punch. Fruit sources, on the other hand, can be layered in without worry and consumed in satisfyingly high amounts.

There is even support that the canning process actually enhances the eye-protecting nutrients of leutin and zeaxanthin, and we know lycopene (present in high amounts in peaches), which helps prevent prostate cancer, benefits from the heating of tomatoes into sauce.

### Some of the other canned food I always have on hand includes:

- Evaporated milk for coffee, hot chocolate and smoothies. It has all the creaminess, and twice the amount of calcium and protein, but none of the fat in cream.
- Low-sodium chicken broth for quick soups.
- Refried beans for quick burritos or nachos.
- Clams for stirring into pasta with garlic and Parmesan cheese.

There's no need to wait for fresh peach season when canned peaches pack such a nutrient-rich punch.

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This recipe serves four. THERESA ALBERT

# Peaches get saucy with pork

## 30 minutes to dinner.

Peach sauce turns a curried pork tenderloin into a sweet surprise

### Directions

1. Place pork tenderloin in a large freezer bag, combine curry and chili powders, one clove of garlic and olive oil and rub well. Set aside on counter for a few minutes or place in fridge to marinate

### Ingredients

- 1-1.5 pound pork tenderloin cut into 4 equal pieces
- 1 tbsp curry powder
- 1 tsp chili powder
- 2 cloves garlic, minced and divided
- 1 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 1 can clingstone peach slices, juice reserved
- 1 cup sweet white wine
- 1/2 cup apple cider vinegar
- Pea shoots for garnish, optional

for up to 24 hours.

2. In a small pot, combine juice from clingstone peaches (but set aside peaches

themselves until later), wine, vinegar and remaining garlic. Bring to a boil and simmer to reduce into a sauce for 10-20 minutes.

Stir in peaches and keep warm until pork is cooked.

3. Empty pork into a casserole dish and bake at 400 F for 20 minutes until cooked through to 130 F. Add peach sauce and cook for 5-10 more minutes. Garnish with pea shoots or other herb greens.

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NBA

## DeRozan springs into all-star mode with Lowry sitting

DeMar DeRozan scored a season-high 35 points, Lou Williams had 21 and the Toronto Raptors snapped a five-game losing streak with a 114-103 win over the Philadelphia 76ers on Monday night.

Toronto coach Dwane Casey gave slumping all-star and Philadelphia native Kyle Lowry another night off to rest. It was the Raptors' first win since Feb. 20.

They hold the No. 2 seed in the Eastern Conference by one game over the Chicago Bulls.

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DeMar DeRozan had 35 points, nine rebounds, five assists and two steals on Monday night in Philadelphia. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA

## Harden nabbed on LeBron low blow

The NBA has suspended Houston star James Harden one game without pay for kicking LeBron James in the groin.

The all-stars became tangled in the third quarter of Houston's 105-103 victory over Cleveland on Sunday and Harden fell back to the court, then kicked his foot up into James. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

QM/JHL

## Wildcats sink Islanders in SO

Conor Garland, Bronson Beaton and Ivan Barbashev all scored in the shootout as the Moncton Wildcats edged the Charlottetown Islanders 5-4 on Monday in Quebec Major Junior Hockey League action.

Taylor Burke and Noah Zilbert had two goals apiece in regulation time for Moncton. Alex Dubeau turned away three of five skaters in the shootout.

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Halifax Rainmen centre Liam McMorrow dribbles around the Moncton Miracles' Shamus Ferguson on Monday night at the Scotiabank Centre. JEFF HARPER/METRO

# Rainmen crack in crunch time

**NBL Canada.** Miracles erase 18-point 4th-quarter deficit to win Game 1 of playoff series



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Talk about a miraculous comeback.

The Halifax Rainmen squandered an 18-point lead, and their long-standing winning streak, Monday night at the Scotiabank Centre. The Moncton Miracles scored major points in the final quarter to steal a 111-110 win, and the first game of their best-of-five playoff series.

Halifax staged a minor comeback of its own early in the game, with Moncton briefly gaining a 10-point lead in the first, but the Rainmen were up 61-47 by halftime and 91-73 after the third quarter.

Some of the 917 fans who showed up started streaming out of the arena in the fourth, seemingly assuming

Game 1	
111	110
Miracles	Rainmen

the Rainmen had it in the bag, but missed out on some of the game's most highlight reel-worthy moments as time ticked down.

"We had a lot of energy coming out," Halifax forward Kevin Young said after the close loss, the Rainmen's first since Jan. 22, but "we just gave up too many key possessions, and we didn't play enough defence."

Young put up 24 points, pulled down 10 rebounds and added eight assists to lead the Rainmen, with centre Liam McMorrow scoring 24 of his own, along with eight rebounds.

"Tomorrow we'll correct it, and hopefully we'll come out and play a lot better," the six-foot-eight, 215-pound University of Kansas alumnus said of

Game 2 between Halifax and Moncton.

Tip-off is 7 p.m. tonight, with the Rainmen again hosting at the Scotiabank Centre.

Halifax small forward Tyrone Watson said blowing the big lead in the fourth "hurts most of all."

"Not even the shot at the end to win," he said of a foul shot from Moncton guard Shawn Vanzant, who swished a foul shot with 5.6 seconds left on the clock to give the Miracles that last point of the game. "Giving away 18 points ... that really hurt."

The Miracles may have finished last in the Atlantic Division, whereas the Rainmen claimed first place, but Watson said that regular-season standings don't matter once post-

season starts.

"It's a new season in the playoffs," the six-foot-five, 230-pound New Mexico State alumnus said, adding the plan for tonight is "to jump out in the first, and ... maintain the lead throughout the game."

Watson said he was "surprised" so few spectators came out Monday night.

Attendance has been an ongoing issue for the Rainmen this season, with owner and president Andre Levinston stating recently the future of the franchise in Halifax is at risk without the financial support of local fans.

"We are the division champs, (for) the first time ever ... so hopefully people will come out and show some support."

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"We've got playoffs to worry about. If people show up, they show up; if they don't, they don't. I mean, we put on a great show every night; with a sold-out house or with nobody in the crowd, we come out here to play and get Ws." Rainmen forward Kevin Young



# Contenders all active before trade deadline

**NHL.** Teams jockey for position in wide-open playoff picture

NHL general managers usually like their teams by this point in the season. Some love their teams.

This trade deadline wasn't made for that line of thinking. With no clear-cut Stanley Cup front-runner and a wide-open playoff picture, every team in the post-season race made at least one significant move within the past week.

Deadline day was short on big names but not on meaningful activity. The Montreal Canadiens added Edmonton Oilers defenceman Jeff Petry and Buffalo Sabres forwards Brian Flynn and Torrey Mitchell to make a run in a wide-open Eastern Conference, and the St. Louis Blues got Arizona Coyotes defenceman Zbynek Michalek and Toronto Maple Leafs centre Olli Jokinen to try to get through the brutal West.

"The West is as tough as it ever was," Jets general manager Kevin Cheveldayoff told reporters in Winnipeg.

Days after the Pacific Division-rival Los Angeles Kings got defenceman Andrej Sekera, the Anaheim Ducks acquired James Wisniewski from the Columbus Blue Jackets and Korbhan Holzer from the Leafs to stack their blue-line.



Though deadline day was short on big names, traded players such as defenceman Jeff Petry could provide big gains for their new teams. GETTY IMAGES FILE

No team within six points of a playoff spot stood pat. Some in the hunt like the Calgary Flames and San Jose Sharks sold with an eye on contending in the future.

Calgary didn't want to mortgage that, especially with the news that captain Mark Giordano is out for the remainder of the season with a torn biceps tendon. The Flames sit

in a playoff spot but wouldn't have been able to replace the Norris Trophy candidate.

The Tampa Bay Lightning got the trading going after midnight when they sent first- and

## Quoted



"It's hard to sit back and do nothing when people are trying to do something."

Capitals general manager Brian MacLellan, who acquired Curtis Glencross from the Flames on Sunday

## Busy deadline day

# 19

In total, 19 teams made at least one trade involving an NHL player on deadline day. Twenty draft picks changed hands, too, including one first-rounder.

third-round picks to the Philadelphia Flyers for defenceman Braydon Coburn and dealt forward Brett Connolly to the Boston Bruins for two second-round picks. General manager Steve Yzerman said his No. 1 goal was to improve defensively and believes getting Coburn gives the Lightning "a better chance to win in the playoffs."

Their chief competition in the Atlantic Division answered later.

Montreal gave up a second-round pick and a conditional fifth to rent Petry for the rest of this season and the playoffs, then strengthened its forward depth by getting Flynn and Mitchell in separate trades.

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Nathan MacKinnon has 13 goals and 24 assists for the 11th-place Avalanche this season. GETTY IMAGES

## Avalanche. MacKinnon loses roomie in Talbot

Nathan MacKinnon may be looking for a couch to crash on the rest of the season after the Colorado Avalanche traded away his roommate and ride to the rink.

The talented teenager from Cole Harbour has been living in the basement of forward Maxime Talbot, who was packaged with Paul Carey and sent to the Boston Bruins at the trade deadline Monday. In return, Colorado received forward Jordan Caron and a sixth-round pick in 2016.

First, MacKinnon breaks his nose. Now, his happy home has been broken up. Just the way things have been going for MacKinnon these days.

Following his first NHL hat trick last week, MacKinnon was benched late in an important game Friday in Dallas. A night later, he was dropped to the fourth line against Minnesota and ended up breaking his nose on a third-period hit.

But MacKinnon was breathing a lot easier Monday. Not so much because he thought he was going anywhere at the trade deadline — of course, he wasn't — but because the pain was subsiding.

"I guess I'm a hockey player now with a broken nose," cracked MacKinnon, who was dubbed "Twisted Beak" by Talbot and will wear a visor to protect his nose.

In the trade, the Avs acquired the 24-year-old Caron, who was Boston's first-round pick in 2009.

With Talbot's departure, MacKinnon may now be house hunting.

MacKinnon was really settling in at the Talbot household, too, saying a few months ago, "It makes life easier. His wife is a great cook. I'm loving it there." He and Talbot frequently shared a ride to practice. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Monday movement

• Minnesota F J.Knight	Boston F Z.Phillips	• Minnesota F C.Stewart	Buffalo 2017 2nd rounder	• Vancouver F C.Conacher	N.Y. Islanders F D.Jeffrey	• San Jose F B.Smith	Chicago F A.Desjardins
• Anaheim F M.Sgarbossa	Colorado D M. Clark	• Pittsburgh D B.Lovejoy	Anaheim D S.Despres	• N.Y. Islanders G M.Neuvirth	Buffalo G C.Johnson 2015 3rd rounder	• St. Louis D Z.Michalek	Arizona F M.Letunov
• Anaheim F K.Holzer	Toronto D E.Brewer 2016 5th rounder	• Montreal F T.Mitchell	Buffalo F J.Nevins 2016 7th rounder	• Colorado F F.Hamilton	San Jose D K.Stollery	• Montreal D J.Petry	Edmonton 2015 2nd rounder 2015 5th rounder
• Anaheim D J.Wisniewski 2015 3rd rounder	Columbus F R.Bourque F W.Karlsson 2015 2nd rounder	• St. Louis F O.Jokinen	Toronto F J.Lindstrom 2016 6th rounder	• Pittsburgh D I.Cole	St. Louis D R.Bortuzzo 2016 7th rounder	• Tampa Bay D B.Coburn	Philadelphia D R.Gudas 2015 1st rounder 2015 3rd rounder
• Boston F M.Talbot F P.Carey	Colorado F J.Caron 2016 6th rounder	• Arizona G D.Leggio	N.Y. Islanders F M.Louis	• N.Y. Islanders F T.Kennedy	San Jose 2016 3rd rounder	• Boston F B.Connolly	Tampa Bay 2015 2nd rounder 2016 2nd rounder
• Vancouver F S.Baertschi	Calgary 2015 2nd rounder	• Minnesota D J.Leopold	Columbus D J.Falk 2015 5th rounder	• Detroit D M.Zidlicky	New Jersey 2016 3rd rounder		
				• Montreal F B.Flynn	Buffalo 2016 5th rounder		



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### Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

#### ♈ Aries

**March 21 - April 20**

With luck planet Jupiter so strong in your chart this has to be one of the best times of the year for you. No matter how many occasions you have failed in the past you will succeed now.

#### ♉ Taurus

**April 21 - May 21**

Don't listen to your own doubts and fears today because they will cloud your mind and prevent you from reaching your true potential.

#### ♊ Gemini

**May 22 - June 21**

You will make an important decision today, quite possibly the single most important decision you will make for months to come.

#### ♋ Cancer

**June 22 - July 23**

If anyone tries to push you around or force you in a direction you don't want to go they will soon learn the error of their ways. You are in no mood to take nonsense.

#### ♌ Leo

**July 24 - Aug. 23**

You will go your own way today, and the more others try to persuade you to cautious the more risks you are likely to take.

#### ♍ Virgo

**Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**

The more you try to break free of restrictions the more they seem to hold you back. Make an extra special effort to regain your independence.

#### ♎ Libra

**Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**

You won't hesitate to get involved in some kind of dispute today, even if it has nothing to do with you. Make sure you know your facts.

#### ♏ Scorpio

**Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**

If you feel the need to change the way you do things now is the time to be a bit more adventurous and try out new methods and routines.

#### ♐ Sagittarius

**Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**

No matter how many barriers or obstacles you have to deal with today you will overcome them all with ease. It's not often it's as good as this, so make the most of it and do something special.

#### ♑ Capricorn

**Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**

Some kind of upheaval will take place today. However, this particular upheaval comes with an opportunity attached. You could make some money.

#### ♒ Aquarius

**Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**

Someone wants to repay you for all the kindness you have shown. It will make them feel good to do you a favour.

#### ♓ Pisces

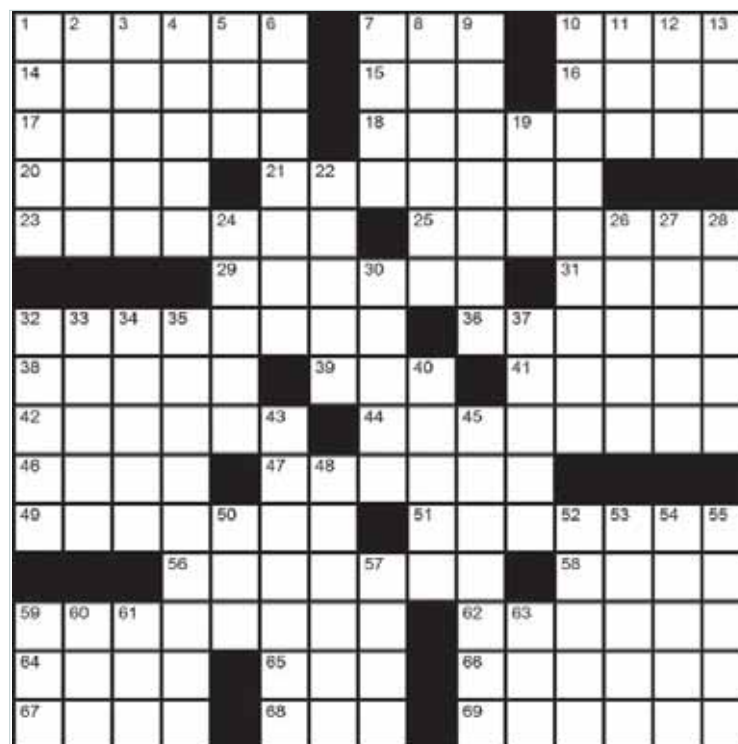
**Feb. 20 - March 20**

You know what you want and you know how to get it and anyone who stands in your way won't be standing for long. Every now and again you go right the other way and just take what you desire.

### Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

#### Across

1. Muscle cramps
7. Male swan
10. Yukon village near the Alaska border
14. Quieten: 2 wds.
15. Mr. Vigoda
16. Exterior tap connection
17. Amusement gallery
18. "\_\_\_ Door" (Canadian children's show)
20. Tilt
21. Of superior quality
23. From one side only in law: 2 wds.
25. Mould makers
29. Decorative
31. Verifiable
32. Ones who rudely make their way through crowds
36. Lion, when communicating
38. Outlandish
39. "Sure."
41. LED = Light-Emitting \_\_\_
42. Abrupt arrival
44. Heeled hero
46. Pond guck
47. Stellar
49. Artist's 'eggy' painting
51. Logging-on names, e.g.: 2 wds.
56. Idina Menzel's role in Broadway musical Wicked
58. Send forth
59. Big quantity



62. Cheap
64. Press
65. Hour: Italian
66. Halifax singer, Rich \_\_\_: His current album is called 'Ephemeral'
67. Ski lift
68. Hippy-protested war

69. "The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz" (1974) character

#### Down

1. Sedimentary rock
2. Laundry detergent brand
3. Guild for songwriters, e.g.

4. First two syllables of Woodstock's doo-wop group
5. Earth-turned-wet
6. Phantom
7. Organized crime boss
8. Orchestra member
9. Hudson Bay archipelago, \_\_\_ Islands

10. \_\_\_ Aviation (Corporate air charter provider in Saskatchewan)
11. Fall asleep, with Off
12. Mount \_\_\_ (Volcano of Japan)
13. Become
19. Particular parrot

22. British actor Mr. Cavill
24. Theatrical gigs
26. Mr. Flynn
27. Montreal: Mountain Street = \_\_\_ la Montagne
28. Parched periods
30. "Why don't you take \_\_\_?" (There are chairs everywhere)
32. Beam
33. Weight amount
34. Play the ukulele
35. Alberta: Grande Prairie's bird symbol, \_\_\_ Swan
37. Swan Lake character
40. Exfoliating facial cleanser
43. Sea hunter's weapon
45. Can give input to the decision: 3 wds.
48. Northern Africa expanse
50. Building wing
52. Treat the sprain once more
53. "\_\_\_ in Love" by 10cc
54. 7, 8, or 9
55. Songwriting team, Cahn-\_\_\_
57. Eve's beau
59. Objectionable word
60. Royal symbol
61. Toronto attraction, \_\_\_ Khan Museum
63. Phone's 8 letters

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Offer(s) available on select new 2015 models through participating dealers to qualified retail customers who take delivery from March 3 to 31, 2015. Dealers may sell or lease for less. Some conditions apply. See dealer for complete details. Vehicles shown may include optional accessories and upgrades available at extra cost. All offers are subject to change without notice. Other lease and financing options also available. **Representative Leasing Example:** Lease offer available on approved credit (OAC), on new 2015 Rio LX MT (R0541F)/2015 Forte LX MT (F0541F)/2015 Optima LX AT (OP742F) with a selling price of \$14,095/\$15,995/\$24,795 is based on monthly payments of \$135/\$144/\$247, and excludes delivery and destination fees of \$1,485, \$79 PPSA and A/C tax (\$100, where applicable) for 60 months at 0%/0%/0.9% with a \$0 down payment/equivalent trade, \$0 security deposit and first monthly payment due at lease inception. Offer also includes a lease credit of \$800. Total lease obligation is \$8,080/\$8,637/\$14,837 with the option to purchase at the end of the term for \$5,215/\$6,558/\$9,918. Lease has 16,000 km/yr allowance (other packages available and \$0.12/km for excess kilometers). Other taxes, registration, insurance and licensing fees are excluded. Offer ends March 31, 2015. <sup>a</sup>Lease payments must be made on a monthly or bi-weekly basis but cannot be made on a weekly basis. Weekly lease payments are for advertising purposes only. <sup>b</sup>Lease credit for 2015 Rio LX MT (R0541F)/2015 Forte LX MT (F0541F)/2015 Optima LX AT (OP742F) is \$800 and available on lease offer only. Consumers can elect to take an additional 10,000 km allowance in lieu of the lease credit. Lease credit varies by model/trim and is deducted from the negotiated selling price before taxes. <sup>c</sup>\$500 Competitive Bonus offer available on the retail purchase/lease of any new 2015 Forte, 2015 Forte Koup, 2015 Forte, 2015 Rondo and 2015 Optima from participating upon proof of current ownership/lease of a select competitive cross-over vehicle. Competitive models include specific VW, Toyota, Nissan, Mazda, Hyundai, Honda, GM, Ford and Chrysler vehicles. Some conditions apply. See your dealer or [kia.ca](http://kia.ca) for complete details. <sup>d</sup>Cash purchase price for the new 2015 Sorento LX AT (SR75BF) is \$20,995 and includes cash credit of \$5,800 and a \$200 dealer participation. Dealer may sell for less. Delivery and destination fees of \$1,665, A/C tax (\$100, where applicable), other taxes, fees, registration, insurance and licensing fees are excluded. Offer ends March 31, 2015. <sup>e</sup>Cash purchase credit for 2015 Sorento LX AT (SR75BF) is \$6,000 and available on cash purchase offer only. Cash purchase credit varies by model/trim and is deducted from the negotiated selling price before taxes. Model shown Manufacturer Suggested Retail Price for 2015 Forte SX (F0748F)/2015 Rio4 SX with Navigation (R0749F)/2015 Optima SX Turbo AT (OP748F)/2015 Sorento SX V6 AWD (SR754F) is \$26,695/\$22,395/\$33,514/\$42,095. <sup>f</sup>Highway/city fuel consumption is based on the 2015 Rio LX+ ECO AT/2015 Forte LX+ ECO AT/2015 Forte LX+ ECO AT/2015 Sorento LX 2.4L GDI AT/2015 Sorento LX 2.4L GDI 4-cyl AT. These updated estimates are based on the Government of Canada's approved criteria and testing methods. Refer to the *EnerGuide Fuel Consumption Guide*. Your actual fuel consumption will vary based on driving habits and other factors. Information in this advertisement is believed to be accurate at the time of printing. For more information on our 5-year warranty coverage, visit [kia.ca](http://kia.ca) or call us at 1-877-542-2886. Kia is a trademark of Kia Motors Corporation.